

Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-8. (canceled)

9. (new) A method for producing a double-chamber hollow profile with walls of the chambers being integrally joined to one another, comprising the steps of:

bending a tubular hollow profile blank having a single hollow space to form two branches, which run at least virtually parallel to one another;

inserting the blank into a internal high pressure forming tool; and

expanding the blank into a final shape of the hollow profile by application of a high internal fluid pressure until opposing walls of the branches (bear against one another and remaining walls of the branches bear against a recess cavity of the forming tool.

10. (new) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein the hollow profile blank is bent about an axis transverse to a longitudinal axis of the blank.

11. (new) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein during the bending step, an elongate body is enveloped by the two branches of the hollow profile blank.

12. (new) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein during the bending step, an elongate body is enveloped by the two branches of the hollow profile blank.

13. (new) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein in the bending step, the hollow profile blank is bent by one end about an axis approximately 45° to a longitudinal axis of the blank and is bent back by the other end about an axis mirror symmetrical with the approximately 45° axis, such that the opposing walls of the branches of the hollow profile blank run along a central transverse axis of the blank.

14. (new) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein the hollow profile blank is filled with a liquid or solid medium prior to the bending step.

15. (new) The method as claimed in claim 11, wherein the hollow profile blank is filled with a liquid or solid medium prior to the bending step.

16. (new) The method as claimed in claim 12, wherein the hollow profile blank is filled with a liquid or solid medium prior to the bending step.

17. (new) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein the opposing walls of the two branches are coated with an adhesive or a solder prior to the expanding step.

18. (new) The method as claimed in claim 11, wherein the opposing walls of the two branches are coated with an adhesive or a solder prior to the expanding step.

19. (new) The method as claimed in claim 12, wherein the opposing walls of the two branches are coated with an adhesive or a solder prior to the expanding step.

20. (new) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein at least one of the two branches is impressed on its wall opposed to the other branch with one or more interlocking elements, and a corresponding mating interlocking elements are formed on the opposing wall of the other of the two branches.

21. (new) The method as claimed in claim 14, wherein at least one of the two branches is impressed on its wall opposed to the other branch with one or more interlocking elements, and a corresponding mating interlocking elements are formed on the opposing wall of the other of the two branches.

22. (new) The method as claimed in claim 17, wherein at least one of the two branches is impressed on its wall opposed to the other branch with one or more interlocking elements, and a corresponding mating interlocking elements are formed on the opposing wall of the other of the two branches.

23. (new) The method as claimed in claim 9, wherein in the expanding step the two branches are perforated on the remaining walls, further comprising the step of:

clinching the opposing walls of the two branches with a male die and a female.

24. (new) The method as claimed in claim 14, wherein in the expanding step the two branches are perforated on the remaining walls, further comprising the step of:

clinching the opposing walls of the two branches with a male die and a female.

25. (new) The method as claimed in claim 17, wherein in the expanding step the two branches are perforated on the remaining walls, further comprising the step of:

clinching the opposing walls of the two branches with a male die and a female.

26. (new) The method as claimed in claim 20, wherein in the expanding step the two branches are perforated on the remaining walls, further comprising the step of:

clinching the opposing walls of the two branches with a male die and a female.